

CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDMENTS PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Clean Version of Claims as Amended Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii)

- 1. (three times amended) A method for inhibiting microvascular bleeding at a site in a patient exhibiting microvascular bleeding comprising administering to the patient a compound in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier in an effective amount to prevent anticoagulation by greater than 90% of activated protein C in human plasma, wherein the compound is an inhibitor of an anticoagulant selected from the group consisting of protein C, antithrombin III, heparin cofactor II, thrombomodulin and tissue factor pathway inhibitor.
 - 2. The method of claim 1 wherein the anticoagulant is protein C.
- 3. (amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the inhibitor is administered systemically.
 - 4. The method of claim 1 wherein the inhibitor is administered topically.
- 5. The method of claim 1 further comprising topically administering at the site of the bleeding a coagulant.
- 6. The method of claim 5 wherein the coagulant is selected from the group consisting of thrombin and tissue thromboplastin.
 - 7. The method of claim 2 wherein the inhibitor is an antibody to protein C.
- 8. (Two times amended) The method of claim 7 wherein the inhibitor is administered systemically further comprising the step of topically administering a coagulant at the site of bleeding.
- 9. The method of claim 8 wherein the topically administered coagulant is selected from the group consisting of thrombin in a dosage of between approximately 1000 and 10,000 units and tissue factor in a dosage of between approximately 0.1 and 10 mg.
- 11. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the inhibitor is administered to a burn patient.
- 12. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the inhibitor is administered to a patient with tissue or skin grafts.

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- 13. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the inhibitor is administered to a patient with cerebral contusions.
- 19. The method of claim 4 further comprising the step of topically administering a coagulant at the site of bleeding.
- 20. The method of claim 3 wherein the inhibitor is a monoclonal antibody immunoreactive with protein C and blocking protein C activation.
- 21. The method of claim 20 wherein the inhibitor is HPC-4, deposited with the American Type Culture Collection, Rockville, MD and assigned ATCC No. 9892.

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